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### **FCC AND AT&T WIRELESS ENTER INTO \$100,000 CONSENT DECREE REGARDING E911 RULES**

Washington, D.C. – The Commission has adopted an Order approving a consent decree terminating an investigation into possible violations of the enhanced 911 (E911) Phase II rules by AT&T Wireless Services, Inc. (AT&T Wireless). As part of the consent decree, AT&T Wireless has agreed to make a voluntary contribution to the U.S. Treasury in the amount of \$100,000.

In addition to the \$100,000 voluntary contribution, AT&T Wireless has committed to a timeline for deployment of its network-based location technology within its Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) network. Further, should it fail to meet the deployment benchmarks set forth in the consent decree, AT&T will make automatic payments to the U.S. Treasury. It will also submit Quarterly Reports to the Commission on its progress and compliance with the terms and conditions of the consent decree and the E911 Phase II rules.

On April 4, 2001, AT&T Wireless filed a request for waiver of the E911 Phase II rules in which it proposed to use a switch-based location technology for its TDMA network. On September 17, 2001, AT&T Wireless substantially amended its waiver request, proposing instead to deploy a network-based solution for its TDMA network. Because the timing of AT&T Wireless's amended proposal for its TDMA network did not permit Commission consideration prior to the October 1, 2001 deadline to begin deployment of network-based technologies, the Commission referred the matter to the Enforcement Bureau for possible enforcement action.

Action by the Commission on June 12, 2002 by Order (FCC 02-174). Chairman Powell, Commissioners Abernathy, Copps and Martin.

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